

United States Government
2003 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)
BULGARIA

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 03 Total
Bulgaria - Southeast Europe Initiative	As part of the Stability Pact, the Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) supports the facilitation of regional trade in and among the countries of Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro, and Romania. As of January 2003, with CLDP's support, the goal of 21 signed, bi-lateral Free Trade Agreements between the region's countries had been met. CLDP continues to support the implementation of the FTAs by providing assistance in areas such as intellectual property, customs, standards, SPS, and dispute resolution. Funded by USAID and implemented by Department of Commerce/CLDP.	Agreement on TBT	112,500
		General Agreement on Trade in Services	450,000
		Agreement on TRIPs	562,500
		Agreement on Disputes Settlement	112,500
		Customs Operation & Administration	112,500
		Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	900,000
		Activity Total	2,250,000
Civil Aviation Legal and Regulatory	The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has recently downgraded Bulgaria's aviation infrastructure to Category II, thereby freezing any future development of Bulgaria's aviation relationship with the U.S. This assistance will help Bulgaria return to Category I status and allow continued development of this necessary infrastructure for trade. (Activity #200370022A) Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	Physical Infrastructure Development	58,909
Civil Aviation Security Master Plan Firm Level Assistance (ACDI/VOCA)	The Civil Aviation Security Master Plan program at Bulgaria's major airports will help the country meet the security requirements of the international trading environment and develop this necessary infrastructure for trade. (Activity #200370028A) Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency. Technical assistance and training to private companies and small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Trade show participation support for the agribusiness sector. Funded and implemented by USAID/Bulgaria.	Physical Infrastructure Development	296,530
		Export Promotion	54,900
		Business Services & Training	36,600
		Trade-Related Agriculture	91,500
		Activity Total	183,000
Firm Level Assistance (IESC)	The activity provides: (1) long and short-term technical assistance, consulting and business development services, training, trade show participation, information services and B2B linkages; and (2) support for implementing international quality and business standards (e.g., ISO 9000 and ISO 14000) for local companies and small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Funded and implemented by USAID/Bulgaria.	E-Commerce & IT	8,350
		Export Promotion	100,200
		Business Services & Training	58,450
		Activity Total	167,000
Firm Level Assistance (University of Delaware)	The activity provides: (1) interactive business courses in enhancing management skills through problem solving and strategic planning; (2) export promotion and export finance training; (3) disseminating information on upcoming international trade fairs and trade show participation support; and (4) alternative tourism sector development. Funded and implemented by USAID/Bulgaria.	Export Promotion	66,800
		Business Services & Training	66,800
		Tourism Sector Development	33,400
		Activity Total	167,000

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Technical Assistance for Customs Reform	This technical assistance project focuses on customs institutional reform, trade development (modernization procedure reform) and improvement of roads and border crossing facilities. Funded by Department of State and implemented by Department of Homeland Security/Customs.	Agreement on TBT	37,500
		Customs Operation & Administration	175,000
		Physical Infrastructure Development	37,500
		Activity Total	250,000
Total FY03 USG Trade Capacity Building Assistance to Bulgaria			3,372,439